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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action issued on October 17, 2001 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action is due on January 17, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed. Additionally, since this response is filed within two months of the date of the Office Action, applicants assert that the shortened statutory period expires as provided in the third paragraph on page 2 of the October 17, 2001 Office Action.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 30.

Please amend claims 1 and 28 to read as follows: